

KEY WEST AND ITS IMPORTANCE

Mr. Ingraham Draws a Picture of Its Future—250 Miles Nearer the Gulf Entrance to the Panama Canal Than Any Other City.

By the first of January, 1909, it is expected that the extension of the Florida East Coast Railway, now under construction from Miami across the Florida Keys to Key West, will be completed, thus giving rail connection to the most southerly and one of the finest harbors on the gulf coast with all parts of the United States. This line is now being completed to Knight's Key, 52 miles north of Key West, where facilities are being provided for handling freight and passenger business this winter, and which will be used for that purpose until the line to Key West is finished.

The principal channels into Key West harbor are the Southeast channel, which has a depth of water of not less than 39 feet, and the Southwest channel of not less than 27 feet, so that the entrances are all that could be desired to make the harbor accessible, and it is sufficiently commodious to accommodate a considerable fleet of ocean going vessels as well as smaller craft.

In connection with the Panama Canal, however, Key West possesses special advantages, as it is actually 250 miles nearer the gulf entrance to the Panama Canal than any other city in the United States, and 300 miles nearer than Mobile or New Orleans.

The countries of Central and South America offer exceptional possibilities for future trade in all commercial and industrial lines, and the terminal facilities at Key West will be constructed with a view of affording not only every possible facility for handling the trade of Cuba and other islands of the West Indies, but more particularly with a view of stimulat-

ing and increasing the trade of the Southern States with Central and South American countries, of which at present we handle such a small proportion. Large and commodious wharves for the prompt and economical transfer of freight and passengers will be constructed, immense warehouses erected, and ample track facilities provided for the loading and unloading of vessels of large size, and arrangements perfected for quick transfers to and from cars.

With a view, therefore, of bringing to the attention of southern boards of trade, business men and manufacturers, and all interested in our trade expansion, I beg to submit some data as to how much business the Central and South American ports are doing, who they are doing it with and the character of the exports and imports of these countries, and thus show the vast possibilities for commercial trade and development of markets for the products of southern factories that can be opened in this territory from the United States, which in a marked degree adds much to the wealth and commercial importance of the South Atlantic and Gulf States.

As an example of the wonderful growth in trade of that section the following figures are significant.

There follows a list of countries and figures that are extremely interesting which we regret we cannot publish owing to lack of space. They show conclusively the business that awaits the completion of the Florida East Coast Railway to Key West, an undertaking that is sure of completion as soon as conditions will permit.—J. E. Ingraham, in Manufacturers' Record.

STATE FARMERS' MEETING AT GAINESVILLE

The farmers' meeting to be held in Gainesville during the coming week promises to be an enthusiastic one, and judging from the elaborate program issued will be one of importance, as some of the most noted men in stock raising and agricultural lines in the country are to be present.

The following program has been officially announced for the occasion: Wednesday, February 5—7 p. m. Address of Welcome—Col. R. E. Davis, Gainesville.

Agriculture in the University—Dr. Andrew Sledd, President of the University.

The Florida Live Stock Association—S. H. Gaitskill, President of the Association, McIntosh.

The Florida Farmer—Prof. F. G. Schell, Secretary of the Cotton Growers' Association, Lake Butler.

Thursday, February 6—9 a. m. Exhibition of Cattle to be Slaughtered—Dr. C. A. Cary, Superintendent Alabama Farmers' Institutes.

The Cotton Growers' Association—Judge B. H. Palmer, Lake City.

The Farmers' Union—G. W. Trawick, President of the Union, Mayo.

12 Noon Barbecue by citizens of Gainesville. 2 p. m.

Tick Fever and Its Eradication—Dr. E. P. Guerrant, Ocala.

Florida Agriculture—Hon. B. E. McLin, Commissioner of Agriculture. 7 p. m.

Stereopticon Lecture—Dr. Andrew M. Soule, President Georgia Agricultural College, Athens.

Address to Farmers—Governor Broward.

Friday, February 7—9 a. m. Exhibition of Slaughtered Cattle—Showing good points and poor ones—Dr. C. A. Cary.

The Herefords in Florida—N. A. Callison, Spring Park Stock Farm.

The Herefords on the Range—C. R. Thomas, Secretary and Representative of the Hereford Association. 2 p. m.

Address—Co. W. R. Goodwin, Breeders' Gazette, Chicago.

Stock Raising in Florida—S. H. Gaitskill.

Cattle Raising in the South—Col. W. A. Harris, representing the Short-horn Association.

EATING UP OUR FORESTS

Enormous Consumption of White Paper by the Big Dailies

"An area half as large as the state of Rhode Island is stripped of its spruce every year to make wood pulp. Wood has been stripped from the hills eagerly, and trees have not been planted to take its place. Every material interest is threatened by the present wasteful methods."

These statements from a leading paper trade journal seem extravagant on first reading, but their authenticity receives good support in the report of the United States forest service that the publishers of this country are using more than 3,500,000 cords of pulp wood each year. Further support to the statements is given by the estimates which show that a big New York daily, one of those with morning and evening editions, which are said to have an aggregate daily circulation of nearly 1,000,000 copies, used 77-233,875 pounds of white newspaper last year. This is an average of 211-873 pounds a day.

Figuring up the composition of this paper at 80 per cent. of ground wood and 20 per cent. of sulphite fiber, the average Sunday edition of this paper requires the cut of 29.7 acres of land, and a single week day edition requires approximately 11.5 acres.

These figures show a stand of nine cords of wood to the acre, which is considered the average for a large area, although certain small stands can be found where the yield is much heavier. The amount of wood pulp used by this one New York paper seems to afford a good excuse for the white paper scare, which is making publishers cut down the size of their papers or take the other alternative and raise the price. Experts say, however, that the final solution of the wood pulp question will have to come from the adoption of a system of forest management by mill owners, together with the adoption of less wasteful methods in working up their products, and the study of the utilization of woods other than spruce for the manufacture of pulp.—San Francisco Chronicle.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward C. Carrington of Baltimore, Md., who are guests at the Ocala House, will remain with us for several weeks longer. They came here with expectation of only remaining a few days, but found the hunting so much better than Mr. Carrington anticipated that they have decided to prolong their stay for some time yet. Mr. and Mrs. Carrington have been coming to Florida for many winters and the more they see of the interior of the state the more they like it. They are subscribers to the Ocala Daily Banner, and enjoy reading our little paper very much.

SENATOR BRYAN'S MAIDEN EFFORT

Mr. Bryan—As I understand, the question before the senate is on the substitute of the senator from Illinois (Mr. Hopkins).

The Vice President—The question before the senate is the motion of the senator from Oregon (Mr. Fulton) to commit the resolution to the committee on agriculture and forestry.

Mr. Bryan—Before that motion was made I understood the senator from Illinois to offer a resolution that the department of commerce and labor be directed to report the result of its investigation of this matter.

The Vice President—The senator from Illinois offered a substitute.

Mr. Bryan—Yes. Then the question is on the substitute?

The Vice President—The question is not on the substitute, as the motion to commit takes precedence.

Mr. Bryan—Very well.

Mr. President, I hope the motion to commit will not prevail, because it seems to me that now is the time to kill the proposition, if we are going to kill it. If it were in order at this time I should offer for the pending resolution a substitute, providing that "the office of the attorney general of the United States be requested to report to the senate whether the attorney general's office is delaying the prosecution of the International Harvester Company because of the investigation of the said company by the department of commerce and labor."

Then we should have it officially reported to the senate whether the department of justice is acting in pursuance of the anti-trust law or not.

Mr. Beveridge—I hope the senator from Florida does not mean to question the statement of the senator from North Dakota?

Mr. Bryan—No. But I think an official report from the attorney general's office is better for the guidance of the senate than somebody's word to the senator who offered the resolution. A further reason why, in my judgment, the motion to commit should not be adopted is because the substitute offered by the senator from Illinois that the department of commerce and labor be directed to report the result of its investigation, is important, inasmuch as on the 17th of December, 1906, a resolution was passed in the senate directing the department of commerce and labor to make an early investigation. If such a resolution were passed, we could see exactly just where the department of commerce and labor stands.

The Vice President—The question is on agreeing to the motion of the senator from Oregon (Mr. Fulton) to commit the resolution to the committee on agriculture and forestry.

The motion was agreed to.—Congressional Record, page 1008.

"TO THOSE THAT HAVE SHALL BE GIVEN"

Rich Gifts Showered on the Vanderbilt Bride—Rich, Rare and Costly

Here is a list of the most costly wedding gifts presented to Miss Gladys Vanderbilt, who was wedded last Monday in New York to Count Szechenyi, together with the names of the givers:

Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt, Sr., diamond tara and collar of gems with pendant, the stones huge and matched with accuracy.

Mrs. Reginald Vanderbilt, long necklace of large diamonds.

Miss Kathleen Vanderbilt (Mrs. Reginald Vanderbilt's little daughter), six silver plates of fine workmanship, engraved with the initials of the bride.

The Duchess of Marlborough, rope of pearls with diamond tassels.

Mrs. William K. Vandervilt, Marquise diamond ring.

Mrs. William Douglas Sloane, necklace and stomacher of turquoises and diamonds.

Mrs. Frederick Vanderbilt, pearl and diamond necklace.

Mrs. Harry Payne Whitney, stomacher of sapphires and diamonds.

Mrs. Almerie Paget, diamond and sapphire pendant.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Payne Whitney, a diamond ring.

Dr. and Mrs. W. S. Seward Webb, diamond and ruby ring.

Mrs. Elliott F. Shepard, silver tea service.

Mr. and Mrs. H. McKay Twombly, silver candelabra and candlesticks.

Senator and Mrs. Depew, silver centerpiece.

Mrs. Henry Clews, a gold clock.

Mrs. Elbridge T. Gerry, a gold tray of great size.

The Countess de Montsaulnin, a jewel box.

Mrs. J. Gordon Douglas, a jeweled parasol handle.

Mrs. Frederick Pearson, a set of gold spoons.

Mrs. John Jacob Astor, an antique fan.

Mr. Perry of Jacksonville, a brother-in-law of Mrs. Annie Perry, came down to attend the funeral of Mr. W. D. Condon.

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you will regain flesh and strength. Waste of energy and all diseases resulting from overtaxing the system, are cured by the use of P. P. P.

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